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Board to decide fate of health service

◆ **Students might pay higher prices if the board decides to have a private firm take over**

By CHRIS POYNTER

Students might pay higher prices for health care if the Board of Regents lets a private firm take control of the Student Health Service.

At its Oct. 31 meeting, the board will decide the health service's fate after hearing recommendations from President Thomas Meredith.

Western XXI, a report released last September that outlined how Western

should spend its money as it heads into the 21st century, called for the health service to be reviewed for possible partial or total private control.



Kevin Charles

Jim Flynn, Western XXI steering committee chairman, said the review was suggested because the health service needs closer scrutiny.

Last year's budget —

\$580,601 — drew \$176,883 from the university's general fund. The remaining amount came from money collected at the window and a \$12.50 semester fee, which every full-time student pays. Since the 1988-89 school year, the health service has cost the university more than \$606,000.

Kevin Charles, Student Health Service director, said health service has always relied on the university for money. The health service has never made money and never will, he said.

"We are in it for this product we call education," he said. "Our sole reason is to help students physically and mentally."

If a private firm were to take over,

prices would definitely jump, Charles said.

Currently, a doctor's visit costs \$5, and medicine is sold slightly over cost. A private firm could charge any amount it wants, he said.

"Anyone outside who wants to contract with the university has a profit motive," he said. "They're in it for the money."

Higher prices wouldn't be the only negative aspect of going private, Charles said.

The education programs that the health service provides, such as dorm forums on sex and AIDS, would no longer

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64-year-old's jump from structure ruled suicide

By STEPHANIE STIVERS

Vernon R. Galvin, a 64-year-old man plagued by illness, jumped to his death from the sixth floor of the parking structure Tuesday morning because he didn't want to be a burden to his family, his wife said.

"Vernon was a very caring and loving, very religious man," Bobbye Griffin Galvin said. "He had an interest in everybody."

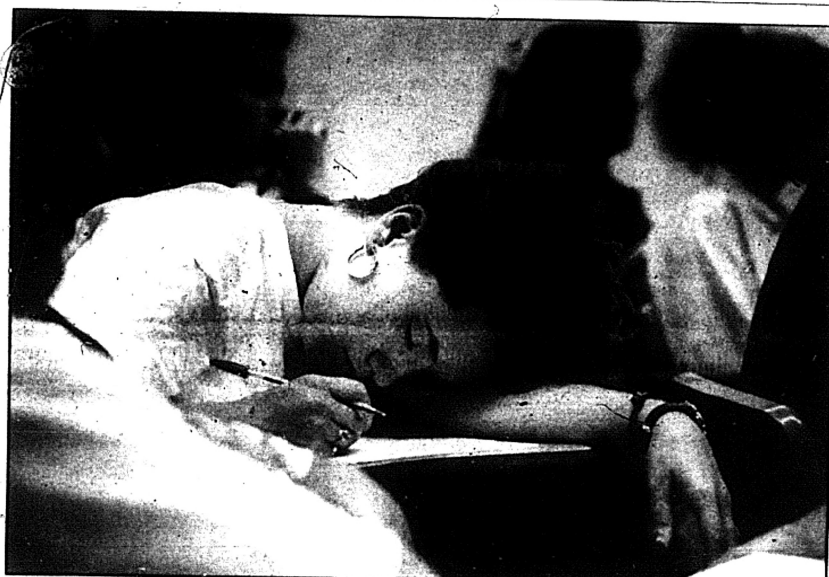
No suicide note was found, but Warren County Coroner Kevin Kirby ruled the death a suicide. Galvin, of Smallhouse Road, was pronounced dead at the scene.

Galvin was a former owner of Noon to Nine Appliance in Elizabethtown and an employee of Lowe's of Bowling Green until last summer when an illness forced him to retire.

He had a couple of jobs over the summer, but illnesses hospitalized him and made it difficult to work, said his wife.

"He was a really good man, and many, many people loved and cared for him," she said. "I'm going to miss him. It's going to be hard without

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Steve Traynor/Herald

Night class? Raichon Bobel, a freshman from Hendersonville, Tenn., drifts off during her health class yesterday. Bobel said she was still trying to adjust to her college schedule.

Professor in touch with Mideast

By KIM HADLEY

Tracing the smoke-filled horizon of Kuwait City, Mark Lowry's hand carefully stacked a photograph of his Middle East travels among about 500 others on his desk.

"It's a wonder people can breathe," Lowry said. "Everything you see is gray with that smoke from the oil fires. Some of them are so hot you can't get more than a couple of city blocks from them."

"It melts the sand."

An Arab education

Lowry, a geography professor, spent a day and a half in Kuwait City in July, almost a year after Saddam Hussein invaded the oil-rich country. One of 11 national recipients of a Joseph J. Malone Faculty Fellowship, Lowry also toured Egypt, Qatar and the United Arab Emirates.

During those six weeks, he attended lectures, conferences and meetings with local and national officials in an effort to build United States/Middle East relations.

"The National Council of U.S.-Arab Relations got us into the top levels of government," Lowry said.

"We didn't have to wait for anybody."

Topics of conversation ranged from culture to economy to the Israeli/Palestinian conflict and the new world order. And the group met with such people as Fathi Arafat, head of the Palestine Red Crescent Society (com-



Mark Lowry

parable to the American Red Cross) and brother of Yasser Arafat, head of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

The purpose of the fellowship was to "educate us on the Arab world," said Lowry, a retired colonel with the U.S. Army Reserves. "The money spent was not on just us but on all we influence through teaching."

Trip was meant to be

Of the 16 units in Tennessee that Lowry commanded before his retirement last July, all went to war.

So for Lowry, who missed going to war by only a month, the trip seemed like a meeting with destiny.

"The guy who took my place got to go. He got to have all the fun," Lowry said. "My job would've been to command the

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JOB HUNT: Recession still hurts graduates

By DARLA CARTER

It's every college graduate's nightmare.

Three months after graduation, Scott Wever still hasn't found a job.

It hasn't been for lack of trying.

Wever, who graduated from Western in May with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering technology, said he sends five resumes per week to prospective employers. He also combs the classifieds and makes frequent door-to-door visits to businesses.

The response from every company has been the same

"Basically that I had good qualifications but that they weren't hiring right now," the 23-year-old said.

Wever is not alone. College graduates across the country are having a hard time finding full-time jobs because of the recession.

A June survey by Chalenger, Gray & Christmas Inc., a Chicago outplacement firm, predicted that two-thirds of spring graduates would not have full-time jobs by July 1.

The situation has not improved much since then, said Patricia Hill, a counselor

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♦ Just a second

Coal program gets endowment

Western's Coal Science program got a boost Tuesday when it received a \$50,000 endowment from a Michigan company.

LECO Corp., which manufactures instruments used for coal analysis, gave the money to an exchange program that brings Chinese students to Western's Center for Coal Science.

Center Director John Riley, a chemistry professor, said Western and LECO have had a relationship because they are both interested in the same types of research.

Police want people to buckle up

Public Safety is sponsoring a safety belt project called "Avoid the Summertime Blues."

The project began Aug. 25 when Public Safety officers provided safety belt literature at a table on the third floor of Downing University Center near the vehicle registration tables. The project ends today.

In addition, officers are giving a key chain and discount coupons to anyone they see wearing a safety belt.

Officer Jim Schaeffer is in charge of the program and says the purpose of the free gifts is to encourage people to wear their safety belts.

♦ Campusline

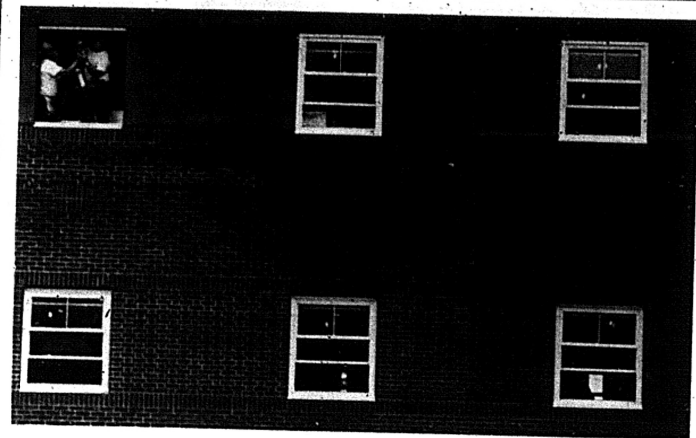
The Chess Club meets every Monday from 6:30 to 10 p.m. in Garrett Center, Room 107. For more information call Adviser Wieb Van Der Meer at 745-5003.

United Student Activists will meet Sunday at 6 p.m. in Downing University Center, Room 349. For information call Vice President Belinda Setters at 745-4702.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes meets every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in West Hall Cellar. For information call Michael P. Avella at 782-8131.

The Inter-Organizational Council will meet Monday at 7:30 p.m. in Downing University Center, Room 349. For information call Sara Middleton at 781-6005.

Associated Student Government's Student Affairs Committee will meet Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. in Downing University Center, Room 341. For information contact Committee Chair Deanna Mills at 745-4431.



Mark T. Osler/Herald

Drill team: Don Rose and Charles Hill team up to install windows in one of the two dorms under construction. Rose, from Henryville, Ind., and Hill from Scottsburg, Ind., work for W.R. Coles in Louisville.

♦ For the record/ crime reports

REPORTS

♦David Bradley Damron, Pearce-Ford Tower, reported criminal mischief done to his car sometime between 4 p.m. Friday and 12:30 p.m. Tuesday. A \$25 parking decal was stolen and \$85 damage was done to the car while it was parked in the Pearce-Ford lot.

♦Lori Lynn Ranney, West Hall, reported \$250 in property stolen from her car while it was parked in the South Diddle lot sometime between Wednesday and Friday last week.

♦Hope Leeann Harrison, Bemis Lawrence Hall, reported four \$80 hubcaps stolen from her car between Aug. 27 and 29 while it was parked in the Pearce-Ford lot.

lot.

♦Christopher Alan Rust, Poland Hall, reported tools stolen from his truck between Aug. 29 and 31 while it was parked in the Bemis lot. The tools are valued at \$56.

♦Leah Jence Weir, Central Hall, reported her car broken into last Thursday or Friday while it was parked in Diddle lot. Damage was estimated at \$125 and property was valued at \$109.

♦Charles Scott Bidwell, Barnes-Campbell Hall, reported \$80 in damage done to his car last Friday while it was parked in the Regents lot.

♦Tara Michelle Mahanna, Bates-Runner Hall, reported her

wallet stolen last Thursday from Smith Stadium. Contents were valued at \$342.

♦Suzanne D. Romaine, Central Hall, reported her wallet stolen from her room Aug. 28 or Aug. 29. The wallet was later recovered but was missing \$30.

ARRESTS

♦Western football player Reginald Wayne Gordon, Keen Hall, was arrested Tuesday night after he allegedly tried to steal a pair of shoes, said Bowling Green police Officer Robert Cron.

Bowling Green City Police arrested Gordon at Shoe Senzation in the Greenwood Mall and charged him with unlawful taking over \$100. Cron said.

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♦ Student government

Health issue tops Falmlen's agenda

BY MEAGAN HOFF

Associated Student Government President Heather Falmlen said she hopes to be a trendsetter this year with her full agenda dealing with a variety of issues.

At the top of her list is a proposed Student Health Service fee, closely followed by minority issues, the concerns of non-traditional students, apathy and the lack of weekend activities on campus.

The proposed health-service fee, about \$40, would be included in tuition and cover all visits to the clinic for the semester, the Winchester senior said.

Students already pay \$12.50 a semester. However, administrators said the fee must be increased to improve health care at the service, located in the Academic Complex.

The Board of Regents is going to decide at its Oct. 31 meeting whether the health service should go private.

Falmlen said she has not made a decision on whether to support the fee increase.

"I want a lot of student input before I decide whether to support this fee," she said. "It's a Catch 22. You can't satisfy every one."

Minority issues are also a high priority for Falmlen.

"They need to be dealt with now."

Falmlen said she will attend Black Student Alliance meetings to get input and learn about minority grievances.

"I want to be able to make educated decisions based on minorities' experiences in their day-to-day life."

Falmlen also wants to assist non-traditional students, one of the fastest growing segments of the student body.

One way would be to establish a day-care center for non-traditional students and faculty. The center would be staffed by early childhood development majors and elementary education majors in lieu of laboratory credit hours. The current center, called Head Start, was set up to aid students with learning impairments or children from impoverished families.



Heather Falmlen

Falmlen said she also wants to increase school spirit and schedule more weekend activities through events such as Western Pride Week, Sept. 9-14. The event will include a dance, a banner day, a motivational seminar, a red-and-white day and a tailgate party before the first home game.

Tailgating on the football practice field will be a new tradition this year. Bands such as Tall Paul, Government Cheese, Nervous Melvin and the Mistakes, and Thumper and the Plaid Rabbits will be playing before each home game.

The festivities will be sponsored by Papa John's Pizza, Coca-Cola and Fanatics Sports Bar.

Falmlen also will be keeping some traditions intact. Students still will be given a chance to be president for a day and express their views at forums.

Falmlen said she will have an open-door policy to all who want to offer complaints or advice.

ASG budgets more for environment

BY MEAGAN HOFF

The Associated Student Government passed a \$44,000 budget Tuesday with increased funding for environmental activities.

ASG received the same amount for 1991-1992 as it did last year. However, it decided to distribute the money differently.

ASG set aside \$1,500, which is \$1,300 more than last year for Earth Week. The five days in April are designed to teach students ways to clean up the environment.

The move was made because students have expressed concern for the environment, said ASG President Heather Falmlen, a Winchester senior.

Most of ASG's money was allocated to public relations and programs, which includes aid to other campus groups, scholarships awarded to students for leadership and receptions.

The budget also allocated money for administrative expenses, retreats and campus improvements.

AMERICAN PICTURES

BY JACOB HOLDT



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\$500 noise ordinance cheap shot at students

The city commission's new noise ordinance is a shot below the belt — aimed at the wallets of Western students.

Approved during the summer, the ordinance increased the fine from \$25 to \$500 coupled with a one-year jail sentence. Police officers are using decibel meters to determine whether a party is too noisy. An average of 70 decibels over a three-minute period is a violation.

The ordinance is a threat to students who can't afford the fine or the jail time. Prompted by noise complaints, Commissioner Alan Palmer said the heart of the issue is that the residents were here first. Evidently, they screamed the loudest.

Mayor Patsy Sloan and Commissioners Carol McIvor, Bernie Steen, Charles Wilson and Palmer voted unanimously to give the squeaky wheel the grease. It's unfortunate that they ignored the

power plant.

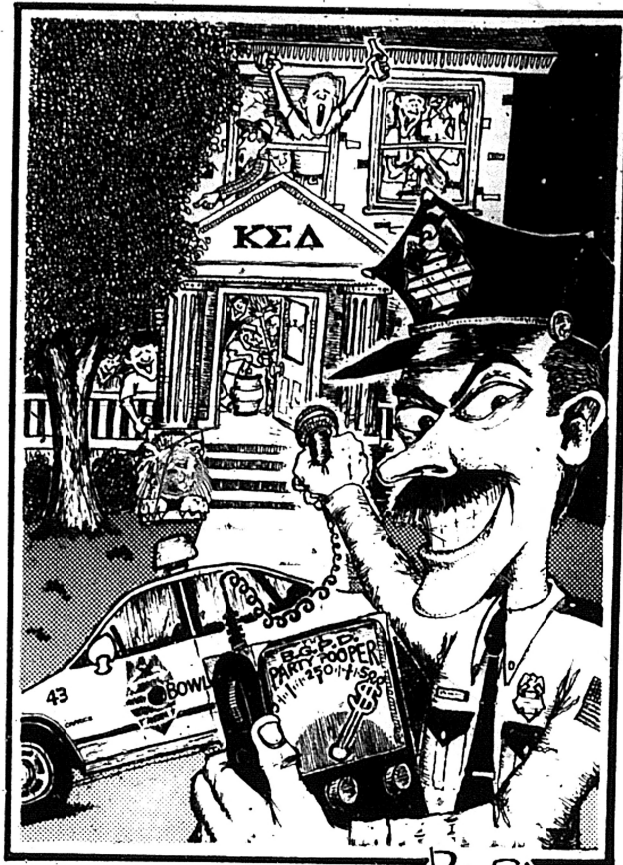
Students contribute nearly \$7.5 million a month to the local economy, said Dennis Griffin, president of the Bowling Green/Warren County Chamber of Commerce.

Western also is the area's largest employer with more than 1,600 people on the \$44 million annual payroll.

In light of Western's value to the community, it's interesting that the commission made a decision affecting students without accepting input from them.

It is time for the city to listen to one of its valuable resources — the 15,000 students who inhabit the city nine months a year.

Students should direct their concerns to Sloan and to the commissioners. And to keep up with what's going on in Bowling Green, students should attend city commission meetings. The next one is 7 p.m., Sept. 24 at Bowling Green City Hall.



♦ Your view/letters to the editor

Recommends resignations

While we were conveniently away on summer vacation, the Gang of Ten — otherwise known as the Board of Regents — laid siege to Western's credit union with the sole intention of removing the campus office by Dec. 31, 1991. Amazingly, our university administrators voiced not a peep of protest. Were they held hostage? Under house arrest? Or were they snugly secure in their own indifference?

Even the briefest visit to the credit union assures an observer that this non-profit organization provides an enormous service to students and faculty. Literally hundreds of customers are in line each week. We need such a facility on campus.

Regent Stephen Catron was quoted in The Daily News (Aug. 2) as saying that there was a "perception problem." As an attorney, he should have known the solution: he and his Wally (Wilkinson) World conspirators who have vested interest in the commercial banking establishment should have disqualified themselves from voting. As for our student regent and faculty regent, the

kindest thing that can be said of them is that they betrayed us. Calling for their resignations should be the next order of business.

Walker Rutledge
Assistant English Professor

Regents ignored students' interests

I would like to express my outrage at the Board of Regents' decision to sever the university's ties with the credit union. My initial reaction was naturally a selfish one — having to go all the way to Campbell Lane to do my banking.

That quickly turned to anger after reading that the board's decision gave no consideration to the desires or interests of students, faculty or staff.

We have everything to lose and nothing to gain by this decision. If the members of the board cannot or will not put the interests of the university above their own, then they don't belong on the board.

I urge everyone to support Dr. Marion Lucas' petition effort to save the credit union.

Jeff Powers
San Diego sophomore

Bravo to those who voice concerns

Bravo to Rich Weigel and John Dillard for expressing so beautifully what many of us think and feel about university spending policy and the loss of the credit union!

Thanks to them and the Herald for having the courage to stand up for we "little" people who seem to be the last ones to know of these decisions which affect the staff of Western so deeply!

Elena Sabo
Administrative secretary

Join United Student Activists

Read the headlines of any newspaper, from the New York Times to the College Heights Herald, and you'll see that the world faces an abundance of problems. War, environmental and social crises are right on our doorstep, and we often find ourselves saying, "Somebody ought to do something about..."

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beginning its third year of making a difference. Our first meeting of the semester will be Sunday, Sept. 8 at 6 p.m. in DUC 349. Everyone is invited.

USA is a community of friends working together to educate ourselves and the public about today's social problems. We discuss issues on a local, national and global level, and then we do something about them. From campus recycling to war in the Middle East, USA provides a vehicle for concerned people to speak out and work for

positive change.

If you're interested in being in the middle of things, join us Sunday night. For more information, call 781-9076.

Remember the words of Margaret Mead: "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has."

Gary Houschens
Scottsville junior

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GRADUATES: Companies aren't hiring just yet

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for AAA Employment, 1240 Ashley Circle in Bowling Green.

There aren't as many positions available for graduates as there were in past years because companies are "holding off" until the economy picks up, she said.

According to a yearly survey by Michigan State University, the number of openings for college graduates is expected to decrease this year by about 10 percent from 1990.

But the number of job vacancies

for permanent employment has increased at Western's Career Services Center, Director Judy Owen said. Those vacancies rose 32 percent to 5,763 in the period from June 1990 to May 1991, compared with 3,829 in the period from June 1989 to May 1990.

There is no way to tell how many of those positions were filled by Western students because the center has no way to keep track of such data, Owen said. The center simply notifies the 1,000 students in its pool when it knows of a job opening that matches

their fields of interest.

Wever said he has made many of his job contacts through the center. He has also used its career library and its long-distance telephone line during his job search.

However, some students choose to go it alone.

Matt Stockman, who graduated from Western with a bachelor's degree in photojournalism in May, finds out about prospective employers through people he knows in the business and produces his own resumes.

So far, the only jobs he's been able to find are one as a writer and another as a part-time photographer in Iowa City, Iowa, his hometown.

But he's still optimistic. Employers have said, "We are going to hire in the fall when things pick up."

So "I guess I'm not depressed yet," he said. "Maybe by November, if I don't have a job, I'll get depressed."

Sometimes the best thing for an graduate to do is to take a job that isn't their ideal job, Hill said.

"We had a college graduate with a

marketing degree who accepted an office job," Hill said. In four to five months, she was promoted.

Kelly Pfeiffer, who graduated in December 1990 with a bachelor's degree in marketing, is working every day at Lemox Book Co. and at Dueling Grounds race track in Franklin.

"I didn't go to college for 4 1/2 years to work at a race track...but it's going to be hard for any college graduate to get a job coming out of school," Pfeiffer said. "Basically, you just have to look and take what's available."

SUICIDE: 64-year-old jumped from building

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him."

He had no apparent connections to Western and had no known reason for being at the parking structure, Public Safety Lt. Richard Kirby said.

A foreman on a passing train first noticed the body and reported it to his dispatcher who radioed the Bowling Green Police Department, which notified Public Safety, Kirby said.

At about the same time, a student saw the body and reported it to Public Safety.

Kirby said nothing could have been done to prevent the suicide.

The coroner arrived at 11:06 a.m. and ruled the time of death as 11 a.m.

Galvin, originally from Cherokee County, Iowa, was a member of the Elizabethtown Rotary Club and the State Street United Methodist Church. He was a World War II Army veteran and a former deacon and Sunday School Director of Severns Val-

ley Baptist Church in Elizabethtown.

Galvin is survived by his wife,

four sons, the Rev. Ron Galvin of Butler, Mo., John Galvin, Don Galvin, and Lon Galvin all of Elizabethtown, a stepson, Blake Hudson of Bowling Green, a stepdaughter, Leigh

Anne Hudson of Louisville, a sister, Lois Galvin Grigsby of Aurelia, Iowa, 13 grandchildren and several nieces.

Services are being handled by J.C. Kirby and Son Funeral Chapel. Visitation will begin at 8 a.m. today and services will begin at 3 p.m. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery.

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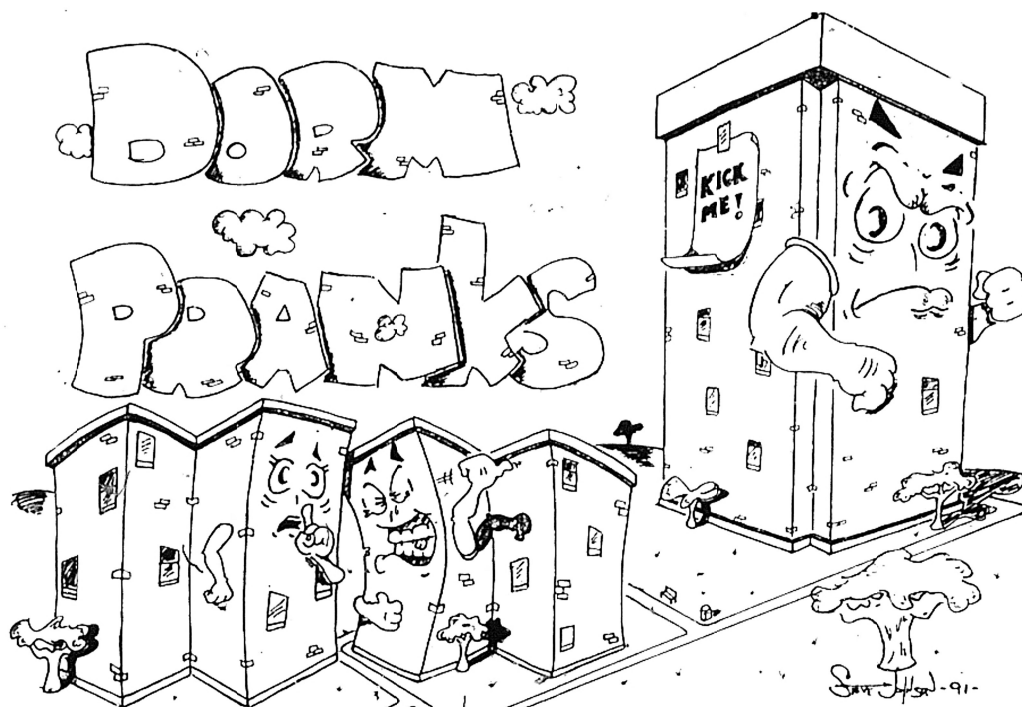
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The residents' guide to White Whales, Leaners and keeping RAs' hands full

Last semester, students on the seventh floor of Central Hall found out that Big Red was more than just a name when they saw a poster of him in rare form. Someone had identified his gender with red construction paper.

The prankster was never caught, and the Resident Assistant was upset.

Central's seventh floor has a long history of dorm pranks.

Four women who lived on the floor have played every harmless trick they could think of the year they lived there.

Last year, Anette Reid, a Loretto junior, roomed with a freshman so the girls thought they'd have fun.

For Christmas break, they told the freshman to stack the beds against the wall after she took the bulletin board and shelves down. Her chair and refrigerator were to go in the hall so the heater filter could be changed.

"She asked what she was supposed to do at the next floor meeting, in front of everybody," Reid said. The RA "just laughed and told her they would talk later."

Last semester, Ann Patterson, a senior from Hermitage, Tenn. and Reid sprinkled baby powder under Stephanie Guyers door and blew it in with a hair dryer. It went everywhere, but they helped Guyer, a Henderson senior, clean it up.

Patterson and Reid have played other classic pranks, such as short-sheeting their roommates' bed and calling their neighbors pretending they were RAs to tell them to keep it quiet.

Mike Gillilan, area coordinator for Pearce-Ford Tower, Poland and Keen halls, said he remembers three major pranks from when he was an undergraduate.

One is a leaner. A trash can is filled with water and leaned against

a door. When the door is opened, the room is flooded, which can get gross if there's still trash in it, he said.

"Usually someone is studying for a midterm or final and a prank is pulled on them," he said. "It's not fun cleaning up after a leaner when you're supposed to be studying."

Another prank is called a White Whale or a Snow Storm. A manila envelope is filled with shaving cream and the open end is stuck under a door. Then a heavy book is dropped on the envelope which squirts the shaving cream all over the room.

The third prank is to put shaving cream or toothpaste on the telephone receiver.

"When you pick up the phone, how often do you look at it?"

Gillilan said pranks are funny for those who pull them, but they're not for those they're pulled on.

"Pranks usually get out of hand," he said, "especially when people start retaliating."

Andrea Moore, a Russellville freshman, covered a neighbors' doorknob with Vaseline. They retaliated by covering Moore's doorway with tape so she couldn't get out, and she didn't find it funny.

Moore, staying in the game, taped a caution strip to her door. Her other neighbors, Christy Melloan, a Horse Cave sophomore, and Reagan Jagers, a Munfordville junior, asked about the strip.

"My room has been quarantined," she answered. Jagers and Melloan fell for the prank and Melloan said they almost drove home that night to get away. After they called their parents about the quarantine, Moore confessed.

Barbara King, a sophomore from Salem, Ind., is the new RA on Central's seventh floor. After hearing about all of the pranks, she said she's not nervous.

"I'm all for fun and games as long as it doesn't hurt anybody," King said. "I'm all for the quarantine thing. That's funny."

"It's not fun cleaning up after a leaner when you're supposed to be studying."

— Mike Gillilan
area coordinator for
Pearce Ford Tower,
Poland and Keen halls

Hip happenings

MOVIES

Greenwood Six Theatre

The Doctor, PG13, 7 and 9 p.m.
Terminator 2, R, 7 and 9:30 p.m.
Mystery Date, PG13, 7:25 and 9:25 p.m.

Double Impact, R, 7:15 and 9:15 p.m.

Boyz n the Hood, R, 7:20 and 9:30 p.m.

Hot Shots, R, 7:15 and 9:15 p.m.

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Story by Trina Helson

Art by Steve Johnson

Wooden sculptures stress artist's work ethic

BY PAUL BALDWIN

Some college students tend to create stress in their lives by taking on too many tasks. Wood sculptor Mark Wallis thrives on this type of pressure to create his artwork.

"There's a more sincere quest for getting the work out" when he takes on several projects at a time Wallis said. "I take on a kind of fervor, cranking away hour after hour."

The Spencer, Ind., sculptor's work will be on display through Sept. 18 in the gallery of the fine arts center. Works are on sale and prices can be obtained through the art department.

The theme of Wallis' work is "The Language of Stress," which suits Wallis' style of sculpture and his work ethic.

"If I'm not out on the road, I'm working about 10 or 16 hours a day in the studio," he said. "I've gotten much more committed to the total process of working."

Wallis' work emphasizes and takes on qualities of "calligraphic motion," he said.

One piece that illustrates this idea is "Dancing with the Devil". Its long curving pieces of wood construct both a physical and a visual balance.

"Getting the pieces to work together visually takes a lot more time and planning than getting them to balance, which is fairly easy," Wallis said.

Another strong component of "Dancing with the Devil" and Wallis' other sculptures is his use of many exotic woods, which lends unusual colors and textures.

"I like to have as many different possible colors and grains as I can. Wood is the perfect medium for that sort of variety."

A series of works entitled "When Confusion Turns to Pain," uses different types of wood and other materials to convey a three-dimensional feel, he said.

"Some of them almost demand to be

touched," he said. "There's a tendency for them to have a tactile quality."

As with other artists, Wallis doesn't want the titles to overpower his works. "I'm getting to the point where I don't want the titles to diffuse the strength of the pieces."

"I make the pieces with several things in mind, but each person draws their own interpretation based on the experiences they've had."

"I like to have as many different possible colors and grains as I can."

**— Mark Wallis
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Dorothy Share, a retired Western secretary, ponders a sculpture in the fine arts center gallery.

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♦ **Minority issues**

Students say recruiting weak

BY NIKITA STEWART

Student leaders said negative word-of-mouth about Western discourages black students from attending the university.

"Black students go to a facade," said Shannon Floyd, a Western graduate from Louisville. "Once they get there, they get disappointed and word-of-mouth travels."

Floyd led more than 100 students last semester in a sit-in at Wetherby Administration Building. The sit-in was designed to bring the black students' concerns to the attention of President Thomas Meredith and the rest of the university.

The protesters' actions and the findings of the Council on Higher Education caused Western to examine its problems with black student recruitment and

retention, Floyd said.

She said Western's lack of courses in African-American studies discouraged black students. In the past, Western's bulletin of classes showed courses in African-American studies, but when students went to register, they were told some of the classes were not offered.

But the African-American studies minor was revived last semester by faculty and staff, said Livingston Alexander, associate vice president for Academic Affairs. This semester's bulletin lists classes for the minor in a designated area.

Floyd said the low black student enrollment also deters blacks from attending Western. Last year's black enrollment was about 700 of 15,000 students.

Latonya Alexander, president of Black Student Alliance, said

Western needs to increase its recruitment of black students.

"They need to put more emphasis on the students," the Nashville sophomore said.

Western hired Byron Costner as coordinator of black student recruitment in June. He said he intends to change the way Western recruits.

Costner plans to expand Western's recruiting area within a 300-mile radius to include Cincinnati, Birmingham, Ala., and Indianapolis. "Those students can bring something to the campus," he said. Costner said Western needs to do more overall for its black students.

"The students who are here are the ones who recruit," he said. "Apparently, they aren't going back and telling their friends good things about Western."

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CHE ACTION: Incentives might be increased

BY JOHN MARTIN

The committee that last semester evaluated Western's affirmative action efforts repeated its conclusion Thursday that Western has made only minimal progress in the area.

The Committee on Equal Opportunities, an arm of the state Council on Higher Education, said in its report that Western has seen a significant drop in black student and black faculty and has suggested ways to improve the situation.

The committee complimented Western on its Junior Black Faculty program, which the group feels will produce positive results, said Roy Peterson, assistant to the CHE executive director. That program allows minority faculty to teach full-time or part-time at Western while working on doctoral degrees elsewhere.

A proposal to increase financial incentives for universities that make progress in affirmative action was also discussed at the meeting. State universities are awarded \$10,000 for each minority faculty member they hire.

The proposal, prepared by council staff, would increase that figure and would provide incentives for successes in the other areas of affirmative action.

The proposal wasn't approved for submission to the full council and will be discussed at committee meetings, Peterson said.

The committee is encouraging universities to develop incentive programs within the university.

If the ideas suggested by the committee were implemented, the president would evaluate all the vice presidents' records on affirmative action. The vice presidents would do the same for the deans, and the deans would evaluate the department heads.

Livingston Alexander, associate vice president for Academic Affairs, said the committee's suggestion was helpful but did not get to the root of the problem.

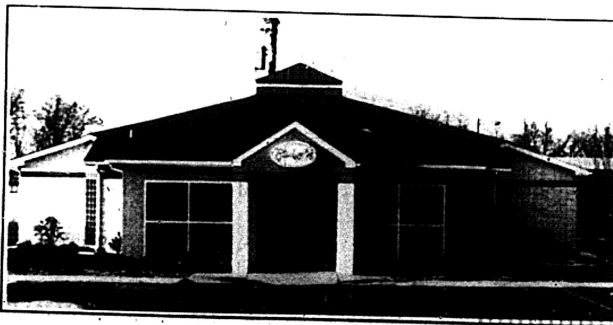
"Their suggestion was to use an affirmative action record as a variable for merit pay," he said. "I think the issue is in comparison with other universities, Western has received fewer desegregation funds."

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CAMPUS RECYCLING: Efforts need money

By LAUREN YATES

Almost two years after a professor proposed a campuswide study on waste reduction, Western is still without a comprehensive recycling policy.

Engineering Professor John Russell proposed the study in February 1990. The university was waiting for outside funding for the project but "apparently there is not much chance of finding funding in that area."

The need for a campuswide recycling program is more important than ever because the price of dumping Western's waste into a landfill will rise to about \$250,000 a year, said Ogden College Dean Charles Kupchella.

Kupchella is a member of the Solid Waste Committee, a group formed by President Thomas Meredith in spring 1991.

The committee has requested information from universities with recycling programs.

But the committee has not made as much progress as hoped, Kupchella said, because administrators and faculty involved are busy.

Kupchella said he thinks a full-time position should be created to deal with a campuswide recycling program.

Since April the university has been collecting cardboard from campus locations that produce the most waste, such as Food Services, the Physical Plant and the College Heights Bookstore.

Several tons of cardboard were collected, Executive Vice President Paul Cook said. The university took it to a recycling center and received \$200 for it.

Because of the cost of labor to collect cardboard, the university now has someone to pick up the cardboard. Although Western doesn't receive money from recycling this way, it cuts the labor costs and Cook said, "It's the right thing to do."

Western has been recycling Styrofoam for two months, said Louis Cook, Food Services director. In the last 10 years, Western has not used Styrofoam containing chlorofluorocarbons, a chemical harmful to the environment.

The university also has looked into a paper recycling program at the university farm.

Luther Hughes, agriculture department head, has shredded paper and added it to compost piles where it becomes mulch that can be sold.

But Paul Cook said such a program would mean buying a paper shredder and finding a place to store the shredded paper.

Western has already tried a program with a company in Robertson County, Tenn. The company separates the waste and takes out what can be recycled. The rest is turned into small pellets that are shipped back to Western and used to help heat the university.

Dean says a full-time position is needed to deal with this issue.

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MIDEAST: Ex-soldier surveys Gulf war's aftermath

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prisoner of war operation.

Lowry was in Argentina when war broke out in January.

"I had mixed emotions," he said. "In a way I wanted to be there. And in a way I didn't."

Lowry's last taste of war was Vietnam. "It was awful. From the soldier's point of view, it made it seem like your whole life was for nothing."

"But now it's different." Lowry paused. "Boy. Those guys are proud to wear their uniform."

Lowry also was positive about the rebuild-

ing of Kuwait, in spite of the destruction.

"The greatest damage within the city was the infrastructure," he said. "The life-sustaining things, they cut off. They looted. They completely cleaned out the university systems."

Lowry said about a third of Kuwait's fires have been put out but about 400 are still burning.

"Some of the worst of them are still burning," he said, pointing to photos of hazy skylines. "As far away as the UAE we could see the smoke in the air." And in Qatar he could look directly at the sun "because of smoke."

Lowry said fire teams from about six

countries were battling blazes extending hundreds of miles. "They have to fashion a cap or plug for each of these wells," he said. "Proximity is a problem for some."

Lowry predicted that with international communism playing a diminishing role in U.S. foreign policy, the Middle East would rise in priority.

"We didn't pay much attention to those countries before," Lowry said. But "our attention has been focused there."

"I think the opinions of Americans are going to change toward those countries," he said. "When you get inside that realm and talk to the people there, I think you get a bet-

ter view of the situation there. We don't hear much about the Arab's viewpoint. Our image is not good because of what we've gotten from movies."

Lowry's part in helping to change that image will come with slide shows, conferences and classes. He plans to have 30 hours of taped lectures transcribed this semester for classroom use and would like to teach a small research seminar on the Middle East next semester.

And if he ever gets the opportunity, Lowry would like to return to the Middle East to spend some time traveling on his own "without being rushed."

Colossus food bar spoils after five days

BY TRACY MAXWELL

"Eat like a king but at a pauper's price" read the menu for Downing Cafeteria's short lived Colossus Bar.

The all-you-can-eat food bar opened Aug. 26 and closed five days later because of poor response from students, said Louis Cook, Food Services director.

Normally 500 to 600 are served in the cafeteria each night. The Colossus Bar only served about 100, he said. When the cafeteria returned to its old format Tuesday night, 556 were served.

The bar, which was students' only dinner option in Downing Cafeteria the first week of classes, was comparable to Bonanza's and Quincy's all-you-can-eat food bars.

The fact that it was different

may have been one reason the bar didn't succeed, Cook said.

"People are basically resistant to change," he said. "Even if they like it, it takes a while to get used to something new."

The bar's \$4.99 price included salad bar, assorted soups, vegetables, casseroles, bread, dessert and beverages. For another \$1, chicken, fish, ribeye steak and hamburger steak also were available.

"Most students who tried it liked it and said they would try it again," Cook said. "It just didn't take off like we expected it to."

Food Services may continue the Colossus Bar on a smaller scale one night a week in the auxiliary dining room, Cook said.



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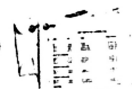
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After finishing a game of "Remote Control" at the Delta Tau Delta house Tuesday, Evansville freshman Josh Fuhrer and Nashville junior Neely Sheucraft spray each other with silly string. Fuhrer is a rushee and Sheucraft is a Delta sweetheart.

Marc Piscotty/Herald

PARTY HOPPING: Rush changes

BY KAREN GIBSON

To join a fraternity this year, students had to know something about all of them.

To make rush more competitive, rushees

had to sign up with the Interfraternity Council and had to get a card stamped to prove they attended a party at each of Western's 10 participating fraternities.

"The one big difference is it's formal," said IFC President Haynes Haddock.

Haddock, a senior from Franklin, Tenn., said the formality is to make rush fair, especially for the smaller fraternities.

Before this system was put into effect last year, a rushee could go to one fraternity house, and if he liked it, he didn't have

to attend any more parties.

Under the new system, the men got to see all their options.

At the parties, held Aug. 23-27, no women were allowed to attend and no alcohol was served.

Haddock said it allowed rushees to get to know the brothers of each fraternity.

He said it was a time for men to talk, "act stupid" and get involved. The most important thing is to make rushees feel comfortable, he said.

"Open rush" began Aug. 28, and fraternities could host parties at which women were allowed.

After each party, the fraternities had a session to determine bids. On Monday and Tuesday, the fraternities extended their bids, and yesterday the rushees could decide which fraternity they would accept a bid from.

Haddock said that although rush has been hectic, he is happy

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CHARLES: 'It's like shooting ourselves in the foot'

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exist, Charles said.

Continuing those programs would cost money and private firms wouldn't want to deal with them, he said. The work study program, which gives pre-med and nursing majors experience, would also be defunct, he said.

Drexel University in Philadelphia is the only school in the country that has let a private firm control its health service center, said James Hallam, Drexel's assistant vice president for Student Life.

Drexel decided to go private last year because its health service center was costing \$600,000 a year, Hallam said.

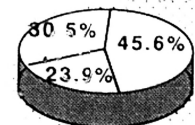
There was some protest from students, but the move was right for the university, he said.

Before going private, students weren't charged for a doctor's visit. Now it costs \$25.

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ed doctor's visits with the private firm.
Charles wants Western to

launch a similar plan.

Western should increase the student health fee to cover the health service budget, he said. That way students could get unlimited doctor's visits, and it would save the university money.

But Meredith said letting the health service go private is beyond money. The board also needs to consider whether Western should continue to be in the health care business.

Charles said he thinks Western should because health plays a role in education. People do better academically if they feel good physically, he said.

Robert Wirag, Student Health Center director at the University of Texas, visited Western in June to study the health service at the university's request.

He prepared a report about the health service's future.

Meredith said he wouldn't release the report until the board members have a chance to




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Bowling Green sophomore J.J. Jewell gets a physical examination from Janile Martin at the Student Health Service office.

see it.
Wirag wouldn't comment on his report, but did say that "it would be a tragic mistake to go

private."
Charles agreed.
"It's like shooting ourselves in the foot."



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♦ The world and Western

Professors discuss war's results

BY JOHN MARTIN

The United States and her allies drove Iraqi forces out of Kuwait in 42 days. For a mission of its size and scope, Operation Desert Storm resulted in relatively few allied casualties.

Those conclusions draw little argument.

But some wonder whether the war really changed anything in the Middle East.

Because the Palestine Liberation Organization sided with Saddam, it turned out to be one of the conflict's big losers, government Professor Georg Blum said.

Michael Seidler, philosophy and religion associate professor, said he is no more optimistic about lasting Middle East peace now than before the war. "Israel is just as intransigent as ever."

He added that the media's performance was distasteful during the conflict. "The media was muzzled, and when it wasn't they played patriotic. The media was worthless in this conflict - some of that was not their own doing, but some of it was."

About the only good thing to come out of the conflict was the regression of Saddam's military capability, Seidler said, "but the way it was brought about is not appropriate."

History Professor Jack Thacker said the war proved two major points:

"Performance of the military shows that money put in during

the Reagan years was well spent, and the military was given the leeway to fight the war the way it should have been fought," unlike in Vietnam, he said.

What about sanctions?

Thacker said he supported the war from the beginning.

"Anybody who thinks sanctions would have worked, given the circumstances that exist today, is living in a pipe dream."

Seidler said he would have voted against using force in the gulf, saying it was unrealistic to expect sanctions to work immediately.

"To expect sanctions to work in that period of time is ridiculous," he said. "In South Africa, it took years and years to get any movement." The United States recently lifted sanctions against South Africa, citing positive reforms in the government, which in the past has supported racial segregation.

Government Professor George Masannat called the sanctions against Iraq "useful measures," but he still supported Bush's decision to begin the air war Jan. 16.

"There was no indication that Saddam Hussein was willing to voluntarily and peacefully withdraw from Kuwait."

Seidler said not enough effort was put forth by the United States on the diplomatic front.

"Giving someone an ultimatum is not what you'd call diplomacy."

Did it end too soon?

Thacker said marching into Baghdad wasn't an option because it was not a goal spelled out in the United Nations resolutions.

"In diplomacy, once you give your word in something like this, if you ever want to do anything else you have to keep that word."

"Militarily, it's a bad option. You don't want to get involved in a battle in a city under any circumstances. The losses are too great."

Though Seidler opposed the conflict at the outset, he said going into Baghdad might have been counterproductive.

"It has too many assumptions built on it. Noriega's gone - does that make Panamanians' lives any better? No. So what if we get rid of Saddam - there's one Saddam and then there's another."

Another criticism of Bush after the conflict was his handling of the Kurdish refugee problem. Masannat said the allies' hands were tied on the issue.

"One could look at it as a domestic problem within Iraq. I think we did all we could by providing a security zone, but we could not act in their behalf to establish a state for them."

Seidler said international pressure forced Bush to create camps in Northern Iraq for the Kurds.

"We encouraged them to rebel, and then we ditched them."



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HABITAT FOR HUMANITY: First home in city nearly finished

By JULIE GRUNDY

Habitat for Humanity wants to be your neighbor.

Volunteers said the organization is well on its way to uniting the community.

"While beginning work on our first house, we had at least 45 volunteers digging footing trenches by hand," said Vice President Regis O'Connor, a communication and broadcasting professor. "There were even little kids out there with plastic shovels."

The volunteer group hopes to have its first home built by early October for a

Bowling Green family in need.

"We have well over 100 volunteers who do everything from babysitting for the families to actually building and painting."

The unfinished home on Duke Street was started in May. It boasts the slogan for Habitat: "Building houses in partnership with God's people in need."

The organization's purpose is to provide simple but decent housing for those in need. But organizers don't want to give people something for nothing.

Tenants, chosen mainly based on income, will have to pay a low mortgage and help with construction.

Hours families put in are called "sweat equity" and take the place of a down payment. They receive a no-interest no-profit loan with a 20- to 25-year mortgage.

"The income level of a family must be no less than \$6,500 and no more than \$16,000 per year," O'Connor said. "It's irrespective of age, race, religion, etc."

Habitat for Humanity started in Bowling Green 1 1/2 years ago by President Dave Kivett, associate pastor of the Presbyterian Church on State Street.

Because donations and volunteer labor enable the group to build the houses for about \$20,000 to \$25,000, the family needs

only to pay a mortgage of about \$100 a month.

O'Connor hopes to start a student chapter soon. For information, call O'Connor at his office 745-5880 or home 781-3459.

O'Connor also invites people to drop by the building site. "We should be there every Saturday morning and Tuesdays or Thursdays from 3 to 7 p.m."

"Our goal is to eventually rid Bowling Green and all other cities of shacks," Kivett said. "There's a place for everyone, and you're able to see the results yourself. Everyone deserves a decent place to live."

Heat index is gonna make you sweat

By ANYA L. ARMES

The dog days of August may be over, but students and faculty will be panting until weather conditions change to reduce the heat index, meteorology professor Louis Trapasso said.

The heat index, or apparent temperature, is a measure of how hot it feels when the relative humidity is added to the actual temperature, said Tim Troutman, meteorologist at the National Weather Service in Evansville, Ind.

Trapasso said a chart is used to equate heat index because "no machine can tell how the body is going to feel."

According to the chart, if the actual temperature were 90 degrees and the relative humidity were 80 percent, the heat index would be 113 degrees.

"Bearing in mind that August and September can have a number of heat spells," he said to expect "more of the same."

When the heat index exceeds 105 to 130 degrees, there are risks of heat cramps, heat exhaustion and heat stroke (the most serious).

So far this year, only one student, a football player, has visited Student Health Service with problems regarding the heat.

Although athletes frequently exercise outdoors, "they aren't likely to have problems because their trainers know when to tell them to break or to drink," said Phillip Turner, chief physician at the Student Health Service.

"Athletes can better tolerate the heat each day they are out in it."

Some safety precautions to take outdoors, Trapasso said,

include slowing down physical activity, increasing water and salt intake,

wearing lightweight cotton clothing so that skin can "breathe" and staying in an air-conditioned room.

One of five men's dorms and five of 15 women's dorms on campus are without air conditioning.

Hartford sophomore Andrea Crea's room on McLean Hall's third floor has three fans blowing all day and night.

"I have two more fans," she said, "but I don't have enough outlets to plug them in."

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